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Class Of '43 Reunion Held

Thirty-two members of the Class of '43 returned to Elba High School on Saturday evening, April 13, for their 30th anniversary reunion. The cafeteria was the setting for the occasion, and was decorated with the class colors. A large banner extended across the room and conveyed a "Welcome to Class of '43." A bountiful and delicious dinner was served buffet style. The 62 guests found their places at the tables by handmade place cards. Following the meal, members of the class who had arranged the reunion were recognized and awards were given to the one who had traveled the greatest distance, the one who had the most children, and the one who had the most grandchildren. Miss Zedie Rowe and Mrs. Ola B. Kendrick, teachers, were recognized and presented with white carnation corsages. Each class member was asked to stand and give a brief account of his life since high school graduation. Mr. Lamar Foley, current high school principal, invited the class and guests to tour the building and urged them to visit the school at anytime. Those present were: Lillian Baker Taylor, Elba; Frances Bell Kirby, LaCross, Fla.; Loretta Reeves Bryan, Elba; Sara Nell Cain Bolton, Montgomery; Wynell Chapman Myers, Crestview, Fla.; Doris Hawkins Hamlin, Elba; Juanita Dorough Rushing, Ft. Walton Beach, Fla.; Ann Dunaway Gamble, Daleville; Sara Dyess Sharpless, Elba; Mary English Mack, Elba; Jimmie R. Farris, Duthon; Maudie Faye Farris Bedsole, Columbus, Ga.; Genette Fleming Kendrick, Elba; Mary Nell Helms Hare, Montgomery; James Kemp, Montgomery; J. Doug Kendrick, Elba; Kate Moody, Elba; Levy P. Morrow, Warner Robins, Ga.; Nadine Sparlin Jones, Elba; Earl Twilley, Elba; Shirline Walker Motley, Jack; Bessie Dell Smith Wambles, Elba; Winston Ward, Dolhan, Frances Watkins Vaughan, Elba; Maragene Whitman Beale, Mobile. Present, but not shown in the picture were: Sara Poole Sullivan, Alexandria, Va.; Joe Meacham, Elba; John C. Wilkerson, Jr., Grove Hill, Ala.; and Lamar Foley, Elba.

BACKGROUND ON BUSINESS

BUSINESS AIRPLANES AND THE FUEL CRISIS

Did you know that business aircraft use an infinitesimal portion of our national energy supplies? It's a fact! According to the National Business Aircraft Association, at the end of 1972, the business aircraft fleet consisted of the following: 1,000 jets, 1,100 turboprops, 11,200 piston multiengine, 24,100 piston single-engine, and 550 helicopters. During 1972, total consumption of jet fuel by the 1,000 jets and 1,100 turboprop business aircraft registered 232.3 million gallons. This figure, or 5.33 million barrels, represented 1.45 percent of the total 381.4 million barrels of jet fuel consumed in 1972, as published by the American Petroleum Institute. During that same period, total consumption of aviation gasoline by the 35,850 piston-powered business aircraft was 157 million gallons. In addition to that consumption, the National Business Aircraft Association estimates that another 15 million gallons were consumed on business flights made in personal aircraft. The total of 162 million gallons, or 3.86 million barrels, is 101,000ths of 1 percent of total gasoline consumption of 2.34 billion barrels in 1972, as published by the American Petroleum Institute. Whether used for executive travel, staff travel, sales visits, carrying people to meetings, transporting customers, servicing remote installations, making high priority deliveries or patrolling utility lines, business aircraft are truly the enterprising businessman's catalyst, the multiplier of management's time and talent, and, as a consequence, the generator of jobs, payrolls and taxes!



MRS. J. W. HENDERSON TELLS GIRL SCOUTS OF ACTIVITIES AT HUMMING HILLS SCOUT CAMP



Skipper Named To Lead First Assembly

Rev. Larry W. Skipper is the new pastor at Elba Assembly of God Church. His wife's name is Annette; they have a son, Timothy, in the third grade. This Sunday, April 21, is Larry Skipper Day at the Church. All members and friends are invited to attend the services.



MR. FRED CLARK WAS AWARDED PLAQUE FOR HIS TIRELESS EFFORTS HELPING GIRL SCOUTS WITH HUMMING HILLS PROJECT



Mike Amison, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Amison of Elba, won third place in a recent Coffee County Soil Conservation Poster Contest. The contest was held for fourth grade students throughout the county. Winners from Elba Elementary School's fourth graders were: 1st place - Mike Amison; 2nd place - Donna Haley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Doug Kendrick.



SENIOR GIRL SCOUTS DEMONSTRATE PROPER WAY TO DISPOSE OF TATTERED AMERICAN FLAG

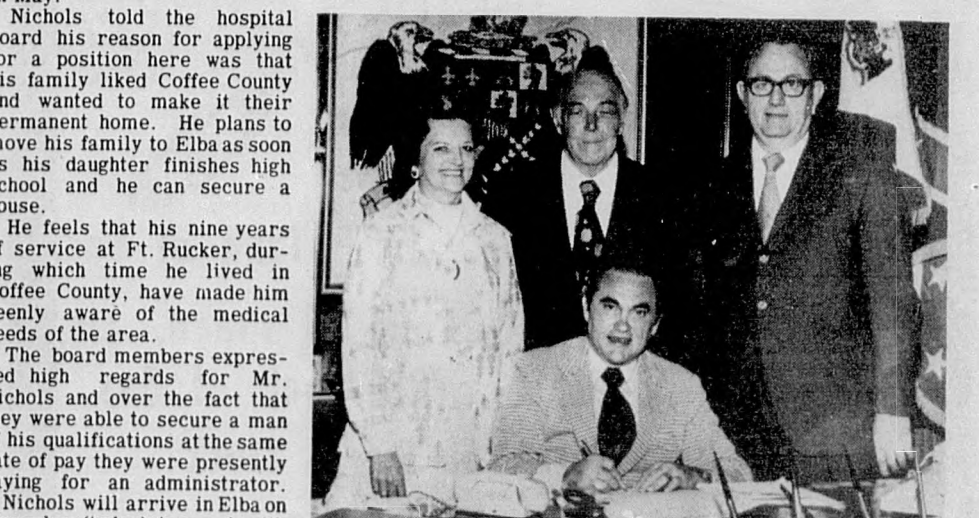
New Administrator Named For Elba General Hospital

James H. Nichols has been selected to serve as administrator of the Elba General Hospital, it was announced by the hospital board on Monday of this week. Nichols will replace Lowell Benton, who has resigned to accept a similar position with another hospital. Nichols was selected from a field of eighteen applicants and according to board members comes highly recommended from both personal references and professional qualifications. At a meeting of the hospital board Monday, immediately after the decision was reached, it was explained to this newspaper just how the board proceeded in selecting an administrator. FIRST, the State Health Department recommended a person with experience in hospital administration. SECOND - the board members felt the local hospital needed someone familiar with the constantly changing federal guidelines. THIRD - the board needed a person qualified to cope with a tight budget in view of the continuing increase in the hospital pay scale due to the new minimum wage law. Also, the board needed someone who was immediately available. The local hospital board members are unanimous in their opinion that Mr. Nichols is qualified in all these areas. Mr. Nichols has been serving as administrator of Union General Hospital in Lake Butler, Florida. This is a small hospital built by the county with Hill-Burton funds as was the Elba hospital. He retired from the U.S. Army in January of 1972 as a Lieutenant Colonel, Medical Service Corps. During his military service he gained extensive training in hospital administration serving in medical departments or hospitals in South Korea, Vietnam, Ft. Rucker, Ft. Bragg and Brooke Army Medical Center, Texas - including the Special Burns Center at Brooke. He has supervised training of medical doctors as flight surgeons, planned and supervised medical training of Medical Corps, Dental Corps and Army Nurse Corps officers, and other duties covering three typewritten pages during his military years. Nichols was a qualified helicopter pilot and was the Master Aviator Badge. His military decorations range from the standard National Defense Service Medal up to and including Air Medal, Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Palm, Bronze Star and the Legion of Merit. He is a native of Dawson, Georgia, and is married to the former Ann Turner of Dawson. They have two children - Carol Ann, age 22, and Cheryl, age 18. Both girls are students and the latter will graduate from Enterprise High School in May. Nichols told the hospital board his reason for applying for a position here was that his family liked Coffee County and wanted to make it their permanent home. He plans to move his family to Elba as soon as his daughter finishes high school and he can secure a house. He feels that his nine years of service at Ft. Rucker, during which time he lived in Coffee County, have made him keenly aware of the medical needs of the area. The board members expressed high regards for Mr. Nichols and over the fact that they were able to secure a man of his qualifications at the same rate of pay they were presently paying for an administrator. Nichols will arrive in Elba on Thursday (today) to meet with the hospital board again and will assume his duties on Monday of next week.



County Offered Dam Site

Mayor Owen Zielar, Representative Douglas Easters and Ferrin Cox, chief of The Elba Clipper, appeared before the Coffee County Commissioners on Friday of last week urging them to consider developing a park at the old dam site on Pea River. The property (27 acres) is owned by the City of Elba and Zielar presented the group with a proposed plan for development and an offer to donate the land, sell it to the county and in turn donate the money realized back as matching money for the project. He cited to the commissioners the availability of federal money for recreation through the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation. Soon to be funded to Alabama through this program is \$3.2 million in 50/50 matching funds. Easters then addressed the commissioners and pledged that the State of Alabama would participate in funding this project if the commissioners decided to proceed. Zielar then told the group that he envisioned a long range 20-year program to develop the Pea River for recreation and that this was just the first step in that direction. The commissioners voted unanimously to look into the current cost of proceeding with this project.



Wallace Endorses Cancer Society Efforts

Gov. George Wallace wholeheartedly endorsed the American Cancer Society's efforts in Alabama. Governor Wallace signed a proclamation asking that "All residents of the State of Alabama be urged to support the education and fund-raising efforts of the American Cancer Society as a part of Cancer Control Month in April." Governor Wallace has always been recognized as a strong supporter of the Alabama Division. Those American Cancer Society State Volunteers participating in the signing ceremony were (left to right): Mrs. Robert Howard, Col. C. W. Daughte, Jr., and Gentry Martin. Governor Wallace is seated. Through increased fund-raising in April the Society hopes to expand its program of Research, Education, and Services in Alabama. The Society's slogan for 1974 is "We Want To Wipe Out Cancer In Your Lifetime."

FIRE REPORT

The Elba Fire Department reports no fires during the period of April 9 through 16.

Mrs. Frazer Wins \$400

Mrs. Ophelia Frazer, Elba, won \$400 recently in Big Bear's Streak-O-Luck contest.

The Importance Of Diego Garcia

World attention is still focused on the Middle East. There was the Yom Kippur war and the resultant Arab oil embargo, and just recently the U.S. started work on re-opening the Suez Canal. The canal should be reopened within six months, thus enabling the Russians to rapidly deploy more ships and submarines to the Indian Ocean.

In the Defense Department Supplemental Authorization Bill for FY 1974 is a section that authorizes an appropriation of \$23 million to expand U.S. naval facilities on the tiny British-owned island of Diego Garcia, an atoll located in the center of the Indian Ocean.

I support that appropriation for several reasons. Obviously, the base is needed to counter the Soviet buildup which has doubled over the past few years and will increase even further once the Suez Canal is reopened. There are four times as many Russian naval vessels in the area as U.S. craft, and if it were not for the three U.S. ships at Bahrain in the Persian Gulf, the Soviet advantage would be seven to one.

There can be no doubt that the Soviets are well along in their aims of becoming the major power in the vital Northwest area of the Indian Ocean bordering the Middle East. Moscow's successful efforts to secure refueling and, in some instances, repair facilities in a number of Indian Ocean ports are the most obvious examples of support for Soviet naval vessels operating in the area. Some informed sources believe that Russia also has her eye on Ethiopia's chief port of Massawa and may have had a hand in the recent political and military unrest in Ethiopia.

A strong U.S. naval force in the Indian Ocean is necessary to protect the vital oil routes from the Persian Gulf and the trade routes to the Far West. The Diego Garcia base would also serve notice to our allies and adversaries alike that the

U.S. is upgrading its naval presence in the area to a level more commensurate with the vital stakes in the region.

We should not forget that except for Portugal making the Azores available to us, the highly successful airlift to Israel during the Yom Kippur War would never have been possible. By building a normal cargo runway at Diego Garcia we create an alternate supply route to the Middle East via Bangkok.

One of those countries protesting loudest against the modest expansion at Diego Garcia is India. This is rather ironic when you realize that the U.S. recently signed an agreement with India, turning back \$2.2 billion worth of Indian rupees which were owed to us for agricultural products sent to India back in the 1950's. Although the U.S. will get some hard American dollars out of this deal over the next ten years, in making the agreement we are helping to stabilize the shaky Indian economy and, in a sense, forgiving a better than \$2.2 billion debt.

Opponents of the expansion of the joint British-American "communications base" to a modest support facility contend that the U.S. would be guilty of escalating a superpower naval race in the Indian Ocean. Far from creating a new threatening situation, I believe we would simply be improving our ability to deter aggression and maintain stability in that increasingly important area of the world.

Until such time as we can convince the Soviet Union to stop expanding its naval forces in the area and agree to balanced disarmament, an expanded Diego Garcia base seems to be the only feasible answer. It would be nice if we had other alternatives, but we do not. If we delay Diego Garcia construction, we are actually yielding the Indian Ocean and the Middle East to Russia by default.

Two Wheelers Surge On Nation's Highways

By 1980, two-wheelers should outnumber autos for the first time since Henry Ford began mass producing the Model T, claims an industry prognosticator.

There will be 141 million bicycles and motorcycles in the United States by the end of the decade, as compared with 127 million autos, Good year Tire & Rubber Co. economists forecast.

With a record 20 million sales expected this year, bicycles will outsell cars for the second year in a row and Americans will buy 1,250,000 motorcycles during the year.

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THE FUTURE DEPENDS ON US

The use of land in this country is described as "chaotic" by Sen. Henry M. Jackson (D., Wash.) and he feels that it is time for the U.S. government to establish guidelines.

Congress is considering for the third time a bill which passed the Senate last year, focusing on four categories of more than local concern: areas that are critical to the environment such as wetlands; key facilities such as recreational land and lands connected with the development of energy resources; land use for primarily regional benefit and large-scale developments such as subdivisions.

The need for better decisions is apparent. It will be difficult for Congress to hash out the details of how to preserve local rights, and still give states power to participate and to review within the rules of a national policy.

Wherever possible, the principle of multiple use of lands should be applied, so that both the social and economic objectives of each area may be satisfied. We should recognize the need for land for commercial forestry purposes, for mineral resource exploration and development, for energy resource development and for manufacturing purposes, as well as for recreation.

BARBECUE AT VICTORIA BALL PARK

There will be a barbecue at the Victoria Ball Park in the Victoria Community on Saturday, April 20.

Plates will be \$1.75 and serving will begin at 11:00. Proceeds will go to the upkeep of the Ball Park.

Alabama's U.S. Senator

Jim Allen Reports To The People

CALAMITY AND ADVERSITY OF TORNADOES DRAW ALABAMIANS CLOSER TOGETHER

The tremendous tornado which swept through Alabama and a number of other states dealt Alabama its cruellest blow as it moved through the land, laying waste everything before it.

When the tornado hit Alabama, I was at my Virginia residence, but by 8:30 the next morning I had sent messages of sympathy, encouragement and offers of assistance back home, had called on the

While I wanted to visit all who had lost loved ones or who were injured or who had lost all of their possessions, this was impossible. I was able over parts of three days to fly to the areas of Moulton, Tanner, Athens, Decatur, and Huntsville and inspect the damage in those areas.

Many had lost everything they had—their loved ones and all of their possessions. How sad it was, how heavy my heart was. How cruel fate has been.

But then as I looked closer, I saw that people were helping. People were sad, they were dismayed by the tragedy, but they were helping. Everyone was helping, dedicated men, women, boys and girls anxious to be of service. People were bringing in food and clothing, and neighbors were inviting victims into their homes. Clothing and food were coming by the truck load from kind people from without our state. I saw dozens of houses already being rebuilt or re-roofed. REA, TVA and Alabama Power personnel were restoring electric service everywhere. Temporary housing in the form of mobile homes and HUD houses, food stamps and unemployment compensation were being set up to make long-term low interest rate loans.

Never have I seen our people more united. Never have I seen a better spirit among our people. Never have I seen our people more dedicated or more determined or more willing to share, to give of their means and to give of themselves to use above adversity.

And as I meditated on the tragedy and its aftermath I thought of the tremendous force of the tornado and of the fact that man has unleashed weapons of destruction and of great force. But how puny are man's powers when compared with the forces of nature, which is but another way of saying as compared with God's power.

And I thought that if we unite naturally and automatically in the face of tragedy can we not unite as a people in tranquil, peaceful times as well?

Alabama NEWSWEEK Capsule

By Bill Myrick

\$2 Billion?

Farm income in Alabama should go over the \$2 billion mark in the very near future, predicted by McMillan Lane, commissioner of Agriculture and Industries, running for re-election.

The state's farm income was placed at \$1.6 billion last year.

A Russellville doctor and his wife were indicted by a U.S. grand jury in Birmingham on charges of distributing large quantities of amphetamine-based drugs.

A Birmingham man was indicted on charges of importing pure heroin into Birmingham from Thailand.

Named were Dr. James B. Anderson and his wife, Mrs. Janis Joanne Anderson, as operators of the Anderson Clinic in Russellville.

Edward King, 23, of Pratt City, a Birmingham suburb, was charged with importing 135.9 grams of heroin from Thailand.

In Fort Payne, two teenagers were indicted on charges of murder in the slaying of their father, Clarence Darrow Britt of Hixson, Ga., was killed by a single blast from a 20-gauge shotgun. Arrested were his sons, Barry Britt, 16, and Alvin Britt, 17.

The Huntsville News turned its back on hometown Sen. Gene McLean and backed the re-election bid of Gov. George C. Wallace in a front-page editorial.

"In electing Gov. Wallace to another term," the paper said, "we will no longer be sending a message to Washington. We will most probably be sending a note to Washington."

The paper said that McLean deserved the governorship, but not this year.

Battleship

The U.S.S. Alabama Battleship Commission saved Alabama news writers a new exercise in cliché.

The Birmingham News announced in a headline what the commission was broke, and in little type said that it was "slowly sinking in financial waters because of a split over a former Miss Alabama on the payroll."

The executive director of the commission, Capt. Frank Brumby Jr., said that the recent resignations of Henri Aldridge as chairman and Stephens Cross as secretary left the commission with no one eligible to sign bank notes.

Montgomery's H. O. Davis was unanimously elected new chairman.

The Board of Corrections received a grant of \$250,000 from revenue-sharing funds to upgrade salaries and medical services.

Gov. George C. Wallace also announced release of more than \$800,000 in conditional appropriations from the State General Fund.

The Department of Public Safety got \$367,000 and the Alabama Development Office \$434,500, to be used for operational expenses.

In Gadsden, a 17-year-old male drowned as he apparently tried to elude police, who wanted to question him about a stolen car.

Alabama NEWSWEEK Capsule

Montgomery was one of 20 sites in the United States chosen by the National Weather Service for experimental detectors which scientists say may be valuable aids for locating storm "hot" spots that might develop into tornadoes.

A Mobile man, Vernon Johnson, 25, was sentenced to six life terms on his guilty plea to three murder charges and three robbery charges. He also was sentenced to 60 years on three charges of assault with intent to murder.

The Pastor's Corner

Rev. Edwin Sells

LET EASTER LIVE ON

The American Easter celebration is a great religious demonstration. It is not equal in any other country in numbers attending and its impressiveness. In spite of its mixed features of the day's observance, display of new flowers, beautiful display of Easter music, the spiritual significance of the Easter story is unarguably the most important of all.

But, paradoxical as it seems, this great religious celebration commemorating the spiritual triumph of Christ is usually followed by a sag in religious interest. On the next Sunday, many churches which were crowded the week before will be only partly filled.

The service of worship may be kept to a lower level and one will get the feeling that the great enthusiasm of the week before has slowly waned.

How can this spiritual impulse and power of Easter day be conserved and utilized for the increase of the Christian faith? Recall what followed the Resurrection Day in the Holy Scriptures. The disciples greeted one another with the shout, "He is risen, He is risen indeed!" Their daily worship was an outburst of joy. Forty days

later, after his final disappearance from the earth, they went everywhere telling the story of the Master's death and triumph with enthusiasm and hope for the coming kingdom of heaven. It was the birthday of a new religion—the Christian faith.

So, if we are to conserve the Easter glow, we must reapture the joyful enthusiasm of the early disciples in the power of the resurrection. It can be done, but not without a price.

We must know the power of the resurrection. It was the release of this power that brought evangelism and finally Pentecost. Again the glorious power of the resurrection is available today if we are willing to pay the price.

Our preaching must capture the courage and positiveness of the early Church. "With great power," wrote Luke, "the disciples gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all." So the Word increased and thusly the number increased.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY: "Go to the second mile and let the Easter impulse live in your heart."

It is my belief that government should be the servant of the people. We have witnessed in the past few years some occurrences in our county government that to me seem contrary to this basic American heritage.

I publish the following so that you might know my feelings and I ask that if you believe as I do, then vote for me, Jimmy W. Holley, on May 7th for State Representative.

JIMMY W. HOLLEY
State Representative

I will approach the proper county officials and ask that they reopen the courthouse on Saturdays and during the lunch hour. Presently, if we, the citizens of Coffee County, have business at the courthouse, we have to lose time from work to take care of this business. Additional personnel should be employed to render this service.

County and city roads should be worked and paved on a priority basis.

My policy, while your representative, will be to have all major issues which affect our county to be voted on by the people of this county. To represent you otherwise would be contrary to the principles of democratic government and my beliefs.

PD. Political Advertisement by Jimmy W. Holley, Rt. 3, Elba, Ala.

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STUDENTS FROM OLD ENON SCHOOL

The above photograph is one of the old Enon School near Snellgrove's Mill in Heat 12 (Coffee County), in the year 1917 or 1918. It includes students from grades 1-10.

Owner of the photograph is Mr. Malcolm Hornsby, who is one of the group and was in the second grade.

His teachers were Ruth Morris (married Marvin Weatherford - both now dead); and Verdie Lee Hildreth (married a Johnson - he is dead).

Not all the students were present, as the picture was taken during the fall and many of them were at home helping gather the crops.

The old school auditorium is still standing, and serves as a Community Center and voting place. When the school was consolidated, students attended New Brockton and New Hope Schools.

The Community of Snellgrove's Mill got its name from two of the Snellgrove brothers in the picture who bought the mill from the Pops.

Students in the picture that Mr. Hornsby remembers are: Roy Snellgrove (dead); Strickland and Roscoe Snellgrove; Estler - Zephie Lee, John Frank, Virgil and Felder Smith; Rev. Howard Dubose; Rex Whitaker (dead); J.D. Stephens; Ora Lowery Kelley (sister to B.F. and a retired school teacher living in Elba); Addie Mae and Bonnie Mae Lowery (also sisters to B.F. and Ora); J.B. and Johnnie Mae Pinckard; Mary, Madge and Boezzer Hardwick; Coy-ron and Cleone Stevens; Lona and Vonnice Mae Whitaker; Clyde and Naomi Edgar (sisters to B.F. and Ora); and the children of J. Dumasvant.

Eddie Cooper, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Cooper of Elba, has recently been accepted to the University of South Alabama Medical School.

Eddie, a graduate of Elba High School, received his pre-medical training at the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa. As a student, he was a member of Phi Eta Sigma, freshman honorary, and the Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity, holding the offices of Chaplain and Rush Chairman. He also participated on the Bama Track Team as a senior.

Upon graduation in May 1973 with a B.S. in Chemistry he took a position at Carraway Methodist Hospital in Birmingham for the summer. Eddie is presently employed at the Elba General Hospital awaiting the start of classes in September.

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Magnolia Garden Club Meets

The Magnolia Garden Club held its regular monthly meeting on Thursday morning, April 4, 1974, at the Elba Country Club. Hostesses for the occasion were Mrs. Milton Warr, Mrs. Paul King, and Mrs. Larry Cross. Upon arrival, a dessert plate was served to the eleven members present.

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Z C H S REBEL NEWS

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Mrs. Sylvia Lowery, Advisor

EDITORIAL

WHY LEAVE WHEN IT'S FREE?

Every year in every school there are drop-outs, and Z. C. is no exception. There are various reasons for students to quit school, such as marriage, work, or lack of interest. And often when the reason is lack of interest, the educational system is to blame rather than the student. However, despite what the reason might be, we urge every student who is thinking of quitting to remember that he or she is leaving the last free education he will be able to get. We should all take advantage of the chance of getting a high school diploma at no cost to us, and appreciate that the diploma stands for 12 years of knowledge that we received free. Sometimes the other side looks greener when we see marriage ahead or a chance to make money at a job, but once we leave, though it isn't impossible to come back, it isn't very easy either. Many girls who plan to be homemakers think they have no need to finish high school, but stop and think how many things we know that work, either through need or simply desire. And how many of them could be at a much more desirable job if they had received a high school diploma?

NEWS FROM THE YOUNG REBELS

Local 4-H Club Public Speaking Contest Winners:
4th Grade Girls—1st place-Barbara Sue Stinson; 2nd place-Lisa Arnold; and 3rd place-Brenda Davis.
4th Grade Boys—1st place-Elbert Maddox; 2nd place-Tommy Green; and 3rd place-Johnny Price.

place-Johnny Price, 6th Grade Girls—1st place-Patricia Fair; 2nd place-Wanda Wambles; 3rd place-Melinda Nelson.
6th Grade Boys—1st place-Leslie Hussey; 2nd place-Tommy McClain; and 3rd place-Danny Miller.

Senior Of The Week

This week we are saluting Edwin Turner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cally Turner, of Route One, Jack, Alabama. As this week's senior, Edwin holds membership in the Beta Club, F. T. A., and the Annual Staff. Edwin is a member of the Z. C. football team. His hobbies are motorcycling, horse racing, and skating.

Edwin's pet peeve is teachers who try to run the school. He thinks that if the school had vocational education, more books, and having more subjects taught would help the school.

Edwin likes the friendliness of the students here at Z. C. and at the present has no future plans, but we know that in whatever he attempts to do he will be a success.
Good luck, Edwin!

N.Y.C. STUDENTS

PICTURED ARE PAUL WHITE AND GERALD DAVIS, N.Y.C. STUDENTS AT Z.C. WHO WORK WITH SCHOOL MAINTENANCE.

Student Spotlight

Rex Marler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie B. Marler, Jr. One, Glenwood, is honored this month in the Student Spotlight. Rex is in the eleventh grade. He belongs to the Z. Club, and 4-H Club. His favorite pastimes are hunting, fishing, and drama. Rex has been a valuable asset to the Z. C. Rebels' football team where he has played center for two years and place-kicker. He has won the award of Class Favorite. All of the teachers at Z. C. have found Rex to be a pleasant and cooperative student and are glad to give him the honor of being in the Student Spotlight. Congratulations, Rex!



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Pd. Pol. Adv. By Bill Waldon - Elba, Al.



MOMENTS FOR MEDITATION

High and wide and handsome,
Honest and clean and free,
A young-as-spring, adventurous thing,
Life should, and life can, be!



Some people believe that the sun "shouts" on Easter morning!

Couch Hudson And The Team That Did It!

The spring training period ended Friday night, April 5, with the playing of the annual Football Jamboree. This year it was held at Daleville with Skipperville winning.

Skipperville, Houston Academy, Arton, Daleville, and Zion Chapel participated. Z. C. first played Skipperville with Skipperville winning.

the toss and electing to receive. The Rebel defense took hard, and Skipperville never got a first down all night. Their center snugged the ball forward the punter's head twice giving Z. C. good field position. On offense, Z. C. hit for short yardage, and Skipperville slowly driving down the field for two touchdowns by Moultry and McClain. The final score was 13-0.

Some of the fans were a little disappointed after the first game, but when Z. C. played Houston Academy the Rebel Machine got moving to prove themselves. Houston Academy was crushed and dropped the field until the defense struck to stop the drive. The offense took over and had to punt. Houston Academy then ran several plays and fumbled with Kelley recovering. The offense took over and started blowing Houston Academy's defense off the field. A pass from Adair to Stephens got the ball moving. Several handoffs to Moultry and Fuller went up the middle and Fuller broke off for a long one to their eight. The field goal team came in and Marler booted about a 35 yard field goal good, but it was called back because of too many men on the field. It was attempted again but was blocked and the time ran out with the score 0-0.

Coach Hudson said he was proud of the offensive line and the backs for the blocking they did.



GUESS WHO?

There once was a young boy named...
Whom we at Z. C. had not met,
Now he's here with us,
And stay he must.
For on the Honor Roll and Rebel Team he's a sure bet!

Last week's Guess Who was Freddie Napper.



In the Middle Ages, but blood was considered a good depilatory. What a hairy meat!

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State Trooper Killed

State Trooper Ken Lassiter was killed Friday night on Highway 331 about 15 miles north of Opp.

The pick-up truck left the scene and was the subject of a wide spread search until Kenneth Barton, age 33, of Gantt, turned himself in to law officers and said he couldn't remember anything that had happened during the night but that his truck was the truck the officers were searching for according to news reports.

The two girls in the car that had just received a warning ticket stopped a motorist just after the accident and the driver of this auto used Lassiter's radio to reach the Opp Police Department. All surrounding law enforcement officers began an immediate investigation of the incident.

GUARDSMEN CLEAN

NAMING POLL OFFICIALS

Members of the local National Guard unit did their part to clean up Elba last Saturday when they conducted a pick-up campaign along the roadside within the city limits. Several truckloads of trash were picked up by these men. One guardman was heard to say, "I have picked up a million beer cans today. It will make me think twice before throwing another one out the window of my car."

LAW QUOTED ON

NAMING POLL OFFICIALS

There has been some harsh words spoken about the selection of poll officials for the upcoming Democratic primary. Even at least one member of the Democratic Executive Committee has complained to the wrong people. Alabama law spells out how poll officials are selected.

Title 17, Section 349 reads in part: "If the list of election officers submitted to give the engineering board by the county executive committee of the party contains the names of sufficient persons who are legally eligible then the appointing board MUST select and appoint the officers to conduct the primary election from such lists."

IN OTHER WORDS, THE DEMOCRATIC

Executive Committee (when no Republicans are on the ballot) submits a list of poll officials to the appointing board and the board MUST select and appoint the officers to conduct the primary election from such lists.

There fore if anyone desires to serve the polls for an election this person should contact the executive committee of their respective party. Not this newspaper, not a county commissioner, not the probate judge but a member of the executive committee, preferably the chairman.

City Gives Funds To Cemetery Committee

Mr. Fred Clark, member of the Finance and Evaluation Committee of the Elba Evergreen Perpetual Care Committee is shown accepting checks from City Clerk Jack Prescott in the amounts of \$1,625 and \$200. The larger check represents the sale of cemetery lots during fiscal year 1973, and the smaller check is the first of twelve monthly checks authorized by the City Council as payment for lots sold prior to 1973.

RESOLVE

The Elba Rescue Squad made the following runs during the period of April 16 through 23:

April 17 - Mattie K. Boazman - Elba General to Huntsville hospital.

April 17 - Mrs. Daisy Rushing - home to Johnson Clinic in Dothan.

April 17 - Rev. W. T. Harris, home to Elba General.

April 20 - Lela Bell Waldrop - home to Elba General.

April 21 - Sara B. Wambles - home to Elba General.

April 22 - Myra Parker - Taylor Mill Road to Elba General.



GIRL SCOUTS from Opp and Florida spent the night at Humming Hills Friday night and on Saturday saw a dog show presented by Mr. Tom Gibson of Florida. The girls were joined Saturday by Brownie Scouts from the two towns.

School Tax Legal In Spite Of Complaints

The school tax election held last Tuesday resulted in the voters approving the upcoming election.

SECOND, the Commissioners and Probate Judge have no choice in winning the election. TITLE 52, SECTION 258 of the Alabama Code reads in part: "Upon the written request of the county board of education of any city having a city board of education for a special election in any school district under the control of the respective board, the court of county commissioners or other governing body SHALL call an election at the respective board of education and shall appoint three managers and one returning officer for each voting place."

This section continues to say that the election SHALL be called at the time requested by the school board. All this was done and the tax was approved even though a minority of those casting ballots don't want to pay.

Commissioners Hassle Over Gas Money

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When the county went under the Unit System the commission voted to give the engineer the funds the respective districts had accumulated plus \$38,000 a month. This \$38,000 is the same amount the four districts divided among themselves for road work in the past. The balance of the gas tax money was put into a fund for road paving.

At one of the special meetings it was recommended that all the gas tax money go into the present operating fund for six months to implement a "catch-up" program on all county roads. A motion was made and seconded to this effect. When the vote was taken, two commissioners voted yes, three abstained from voting and one was absent. The Probate Judge declared the motion dead for lack of a majority.

On Monday of this week, Probate Judge Sawyer read the following prepared statement: "Gentlemen - On the motion made and seconded at the commissioners meeting on April 12, 1974, relative to depositing the entire gasoline check in the gasoline fund, there were 2 votes in favor of the action, 3 members not voting and one absent. I, as chairman, ruled that the motion failed to carry for lack of a majority vote."

However, I find that the ruling was incorrect in that a majority of the legal votes cast carries a motion, particularly where a quorum is present and eligible to vote. Therefore, the ruling of the chairman being in error, the motion is carried and the minutes of the commissioners' court is corrected to reflect that action.

The gasoline tax money totals from \$55,000 to \$65,000 each month. As the action of the commissioners now stands, this money will all be used by the county engineer in the "catch-up" program.

At a meeting of the commissioners last week, the county engineer was asked to present a detailed accounting of how he had spent the \$274,213.97 spent since September 30th of last year. He submitted this report at the regular meeting of the commission on Monday of this week. Engineer O'Neil also spent about one hour with this newspaper comparing his expenses with the expenses of the four districts during the same period one year ago.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The details of this are lengthy, but in future weeks, this newspaper will attempt to detail the major parts of these expenditures to the readers of THE ELBA CLIPPER.

FIRE REPORT

The Elba Fire Department reports no fires during the period of April 16 through 23.

DRINK COFFEE FOR CANCER FUND



MRS. KILPATRICK, MRS. SMITH



Local restaurants are participating in Coffee Day today (Thursday, April 25th). All proceeds from the sale of coffee go to the American Cancer Society for research, education and service. Tom's participating are: Tom's Drive-In, Dairy Queen, Whittman Drug Co., Northey's Big "R", and Holley's Restaurant. April is Cancer Control month by Congressional and Presidential action.

Mrs. (Charles) Martha Kilpatrick is the Special Events Chairman.

More than 52 million Americans now living will eventually have cancer. It will strike over the years in approximately 2 out of 3 families. There will be about 105 new cases among men and women of all ages and children this year in the Coffee County Unit, of which 54 will die.

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GIVE TO THE CANCER FUND - TODAY



DR. BERG

4-H Leaders Honored Monday

The annual 4-H Leaders Recognition Dinner was held in Elba on Monday night of this week. Guest speaker for the event was Dr. Odvar Berg, a native of Norway who spent most of his life in the Congo as a missionary. Berg is now an American citizen and spoke on "What Is Right About America?"

Attending the meeting was a host of 4-H volunteer workers, county officials and several members of the press. Coffee County is again Number 1 in the 4-H leader program in Alabama.

The press was represented by THE ELBA CLIPPER, The Enterprise, WBRB radio, Auburn University News Service, and Covington Electric Co-Op public relations department.

Dr. Berg gave a "from the heart" talk about why everyone should be proud of the great country in the world. Sandy Coffey, Extension Home Agent, presented awards to the 4-H leaders for their service.